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**Strike in J & K by Government Employees**

1384. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA:
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR YADAV:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jammu & Kashmir State Government employees are on strike since January 7th 1992 demanding the implementation of Central 4th Pay Commission with effect from January 1, 1986; and

(b) if so, the Government's reaction thereto and steps being taken to settle the demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b). The employees of Jammu and Kashmir Government have since called off the strike.

**Opening of Claims Tribunals for Bhopal Gas Victims**

1385. SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA:
SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA:
SHRI LOKANATH CHOUDHURY:
SHRI PARAS RAM BHARDWAJ:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court had directed the Union Government/State Government that at least 40 claims tribunals should have started functioning by February 3, 1992 to settle the compensation claims of the Bhopal Gas victims;

(b) if so, whether a few claims tribunals have been opened so far and even the courts which have started working are virtually without work for want of guidelines from the Union Government; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof and the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Welfare Commissioner, 3 Additional Commissioners and 5 Deputy Commissioners have been appointed. As regards guidelines, the Central Government proposes to issue indicative guidelines to the Welfare Commissioner which he may keep in view while preparing detailed internal guidelines. The adjudication proceedings have commenced.

**"Golden Hand Shake" Scheme for Government Employees**

1386. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI:
SHRIMATI D.K. BHANDARI:
SHRI YASHWANT RAO PATIL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to extend the 'Golden Hand Shake' Scheme to Central Government employees on the pattern of Public Sector Undertakings; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b). No decision has been taken by the Government on